Child Care and Development Fund FACT SHEET

April, 2007 Montana

Caseload

- •5,677 children were served this month in this program
- 3,454 families received subsidies for childcare through this program
- •8.7% of the families entered the program during this period
- · Yellowstone County accounted for 22.6% of all families served

Children

- •87.9% of children were served in licensed care
- •9.8% of children were cared for by relatives
- ·Children under 1 year of age were in child care an average of 127 hours per month
- ·School-age children (ages 6 and older) constitute 27.4% of all children served
- · White children accounted for 79.7% of all children served

Families

- •79.5% of families received subsidies because of employment
- 100.0% of families had copayments, at an average of 3.9% of income
- The average number of children served per family was 1.7
- •87.6% of families were headed by a single parent
- •9.8% of families listed TANF as a source of income

Expenditures

- The average cost of care this month per child was \$331 (monthly subsidy + parent fee)
- Parents paid 9.8% of the cost and the program paid 90.2%
- Average monthly expenditures for children under 1 year of age was \$377
- · Average monthly expenditures for school-age children (ages 6 and older) was \$227
- ·81.2% of total expenditures were for children under 6 years of age

Counties

- The highest average cost of care was in Prairie County at \$615 per child
- The county with the greatest percent of TANF recipients in the caseload was Broadwater County, where 50.0% of families receiving child care subsidies also received income from TANF